

**PATENT** 450101-02950

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Kei FUKUDA et al.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

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(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional fee
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Independent claims	3	Minus	3 =	0 ×	\$200(100)	= \$0
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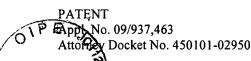
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# **AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 10, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 and include both attached replacement sheets and annotated sheets showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8.

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An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 12.

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